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2. X The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>1-4,6-11 and 13-19</u> .			
3. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority un a) All b) Some* c) None of the:  1. Certified copies of the priority documents have 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).  * Certified copies not received:  Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMITHIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.  4. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submit INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which give 5. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must (a) including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson 1) hereto or 2) to Paper No./Mail Date  (b) including changes required by the attached Examiner's Paper No./Mail Date  Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.6 each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the cash sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be Required Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT F	been received.  been received in Application No cuments have been received in this not of this communication to file a reply of ENT of this application.  tted. Note the attached EXAMINER's is reason(s) why the oath or declarate to be submitted.  on's Patent Drawing Review ( PTO-9).  Amendment / Comment or in the Office of the Amendment of the drawing the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(dist).	complying with the request SAMENDMENT or Notion is deficient.  948) attached ffice action of gs in the front (not the line).	quirements OTICE OF
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## **DETAILED ACTION**

1. Claims 1-4, 6-11 and 13-19 in condition for allowance.

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The prior arts of record do not disclose alone or in combination the following:

Regarding Claim 1, at least one piezoelectric element that transfer force to the magnet, which is juxtaposed with the piezoelectric element, outputs signals when the rotor rotates, the signals being useful in determining at least a position and speed of rotation of the motor, the magnet magnetically braking the rotor from turning when the motor is deenergized.

Regarding Claim 7, at least one piezoelectric element juxtaposed with the magnet and generating a signal as the rotor moves past the magnet, the signal being representative at least the position of the rotor.

Regarding Claim 14, piezoelectrically, which is defined as a functioning by means of piezoelectricity, generating signals when the rotor rotates pasts the magnets, which is juxtaposed with the piezoelectric element, to determine at least one of position and speed of the rotor.

Further, prior arts of record used, for example Archer's a power assembly for controlling blinds and awnings, Perhats motor brake arrangement and Sandhagen's a displacement sensor would not provide the of the current invention teachings and not reasonable convey prima facie combination.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the

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issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Tyrone W. Smith whose telephone number is 571-272-2075. The examiner can normally be reached on weekdays from 8:30am to 5:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David Martin, can be reached on 571-272-2800 ext. 37. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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Tyrone Smith Patent Examiner

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